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SECTION 8.01 NONCONFORMING USES

- (A) **Nonconforming uses** of land or **structures**, and nonconforming **structures** that contain **nonconforming uses** may continue only in accordance with the provisions of this section.
- (B) Normal repair and maintenance of any **structure** containing a **nonconforming use** may be performed to allow the continuation of a **nonconforming use**.
- (C) A **nonconforming use** shall not be expanded or increased.
- (D) A **structure** in which a **nonconforming use** is located shall not be moved unless the use thereafter shall conform to the standards of the **zoning** district or districts to which it is moved.
- (E) Where a **nonconforming use** is visibly discontinued for six (6) consecutive months, then the use shall not be reestablished or resumed, and any subsequent use of the land or **structure** shall conform to the requirements of these **regulations**.

SECTION 8.02 NONCONFORMING STRUCTURES

- (A) A nonconforming **structure** devoted to a use permitted in the **zoning** district in which it is located may continue only in accordance with the provisions of this section.
- (B) Normal repair and maintenance of a nonconforming **structure** may be performed to allow the continuation of nonconforming **structures**.
- (C) Except as provided in Subsection (D) below, a nonconforming **structure** shall not undergo a change of use, renovation, or expansion.
- (D) A nonconforming **structure** may undergo a change of use or renovation without having to bring the **structure** into conformity with the requirements of these **regulations**, provided that:
 - (1) Nonconforming **structures** may not be expanded, extended, or altered in any way that would increase nonconformity;
 - (2) The change in use is to a permitted use within the district; and
 - (3) The number of parking spaces provided for the use is in conformity with the requirements of these *regulations*.

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(E) A nonconforming **structure** shall not be moved unless it thereafter conforms to the standards of the **zoning** district in which it is located.

SECTION 8.03 NONCONFORMING BUILDINGS CONTAINING A NONCONFORMING USE

Any *nonconforming building* or any building containing a *nonconforming use* which has been damaged by fire or other cause may be reconstructed to its original dimensions only and used as before as long as a building permit is obtained within one hundred eighty (180) days of such damage, unless, such building or *structure* has been declared by the Building Inspector to have been damaged or improved to an extent exceeding fifty percent (50%) of its reproducible value at the time of destruction. In that event, said building may only be reconstructed and used in a manner which conforms to the requirements of all Town ordinances.

SECTION 8.04 NONCONFORMING MOBILE HOME

An existing mobile home or **manufactured home** located in a nonconforming mobile home or manufactured housing park in operation at the time of adoption of these **regulations** may be replaced with another mobile home or **manufactured home** provided the number of mobile home or **manufactured home** units may not be increased beyond the number available before replacement and the replacing mobile home must not create nonconforming **yards**, separation distances, or increase existing nonconforming **yards** or separation distances.

SECTION 8.05 NONCONFORMING ACCESSORY USES AND ACCESSORY STRUCTURES

- (A) No nonconforming *accessory use* or *accessory structure* shall continue after the principal use or *structure* is terminated by discontinuance, damage, or destruction unless such *accessory use* or *accessory structure* thereafter is made to conform to the standards for the *zoning* district in which it is located.
- (B) A nonconforming *accessory use* or *accessory structure* may be expanded only if the nonconforming features of that use or *structure* are not expanded so as to increase the degree of nonconformity.

SECTION 8.06 NONCONFORMING VACANT LOTS

(A) Except as provided below in Subsection (B), a nonconforming vacant *lot* may be used for any of the uses permitted by these *regulations* in the *zoning* district in which it is located, provided that the use meets all limitations and minimum requirements for *setback* and *yards*, *height*, *open space*, *buffers*, screening, parking, and floor area required in these *regulations* for the *zoning* district in which the *lot* is located.

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(B) A nonconforming vacant *lot* shall not be used if it could be combined with an adjoining *lot* owned by the same person on or after the effective date of these *regulations* in order to create a single *lot*. If the combination results in the creation of a single *lot* that is more than one-and-one half (1-1/2) times the width and area required in the *zoning* district, then the single *lot* may be divided into two (2) *lots* of equal width and area without being further classified as nonconforming.